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1. FOLLOWING IS THE TRANSCRIPT OF LORD CARVER'S JANUARY 9 PRESS
CONFERENCE IN PRETORIA FOLLOWING HIS MEETING WITH BOTHA.
QUOTE

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN I THINK THAT BEFORE YOU ASK ANY
QUESTIONS IF I MAKE A SHORT STATEMENT IT MIGHT SAVE TIME.
THE OBJECT OF MY JOURNEY HERE WAS TO GO TO MOZAMBIQUE TO SEE
PRESIDENT MACHEL AND HIS MINISTERS TO DISCUSS THE TRANSITIONAL
ARRANGEMENTS OF THE ANGLO/AMERICAN PROPOSALS IN EXACTLY THE SAME
WAY AS I DID A MONTH OR TWO AGO TO DAR ES SALAAM AND LUSAKA
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AND SALISBURY AND I WOULD HAVE GONE TO MOZAMBIQUE AT THE SAME TIME
THEN IF IT HAD BEEN CONVENIENT FOR PRESIDENT MACHEL. WE HAD
THERE VERY INTERESTING AND GOOD DISCUSSIONS, VERY VERY VALUABLE
ONES TO ME AND THEY SAID THAT THEY WERE VERY VALUABLE TO THEM.
THEY HAD RAISED A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS ABOUT THE ANGLO/AMERICAN
PROPOSALS AND MADE A NUMBER OF COMMENTS ON THEM;
I WAS ABLE TO CLEAR UP UNDOUBTEDLY SOME MISUNDERSTANDINGS

AND WE GOT A MUCH CLEARER VIEW OF EACH OTHER'S VIEWS THAN WE HAD HAD BEFORE. AND THEY FULLY AGREED WITH THE FEELING THAT I HAD AT THE END OF THEM THAT THERE WAS A VERY WIDE MEASURE OF AGREEMENT INDEED BETWEEN THEM AND US ON THE PROPOSALS AND THIS INCLUDED THE IMPORTANCE OF MAKING RAPID PROGRESS IN PRESSING FORWARD ON THOSE PROPOSALS. AND THEY ALSO AGREED THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT THAT AT AN EARLY STAGE THERE SHOULD BE ANOTHER MEETING WITH THE PATRIOTIC FRONT. AS YOU KNOW I THINK, IT WAS ANNOUNCED A FEW DAYS AGO IN FACT BY MR NKOMO IN EAST BERLIN THAT DR OWEN HAS ASKED THE LEADERS OF THE PATRIOTIC FRONT TO COME AND SEE HIM IN THE NEAR FUTURE IN LONDON.

THE OBJECT OF MY TALK THIS MORNING WITH MR BOTHA WAS TO PUT HIM IN THE PICTURE OF THE PROGRESS IN THE ANGLO AMERICAN PROPOSALS AS WE SEE IT AT THE MOMENT, AND WE HAD A VERY INTERESTING DISCUSSION AT WHICH, AFTER I HAD EXPLAINED THAT, HE GAVE ME THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT'S VIEWS ABOUT THE ANGLO AMERICAN PROPOSALS AND RELATED SUBJECTS, I THINK HE CERTAINLY AGREED AT THE END THAT IT HAD BEEN AN EXTREMELY VALUABLE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS.

I AM GOING ON IMMEDIATELY AFTER THIS TALK TO GABORONE WHICH I DID VISIT ON MY LAST WAY ROUND BUT AS I WAS HERE I THOUGHT I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THE POOPRTUNITY OF PUTTING THEM IN THE PICTURE TOO OF THE LATEST SITUATION, AS WE SEE IT. AND I
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THINK THAT I SHOULD MAKE IT QUITE CLEAR THAT, AS INDEED I WOULD EXPECT, THE FACT THAT I'VE BEEN ROUND ON THIS TRIP MAKES IT CLEAR THAT THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT IS GOING AHEAD AND BELIEVES IT VERY IMPORTANT TO KEEP THE MOMENTUM GOING AHEAD ON THE ANGLO/AMERICAN PROPOSALS AND IS DETERMINED TO DO SO.

Q. DID THE FOREIGN MINISTER GIVE YOU THE IDEA THAT HE WAS LIKELY TO GO AHEAD AND DID YOU DISCUSS THE ONE MAN ONE VOTE TALKS THAT ARE GOING ON IN SALISBURY ?

L.C.

WE DISCUSSED THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE ANGLO/AMERICAN PROPOSALS AND THE TALKS THAT ARE GOING ON IN SALISBURY. YES, NATURALLY IT CAME UP AS A SUBJECT.

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Q. WHAT IS HIS VIEW ?

L.C.

WELL, IT'S HIS BUSINESS TO GIVE HIS OWN VIEWS.

Q. WHAT WAS YOUR VIEW ABOUT THOSE PEOPLE WHO SAID THAT IN VIEW OF
PEACE INITIATIVE YOUR ANGLO AMERICAN PROPOSALS ARE EFFECTIVELY
DEAD ?

L.C.

WELL THEY ARE CERTAINLY NOT DEAD AND THE FACT THAT I'M
HERE TODAY SHOWS THEY ARE NOT DEAD. I THINK THAT IT SHOULD BE
MADE PERFECTLY CLEAR THAT WE THINK THAT ANY AGREEMENT OR
SETTLEMENT THAT DOES NOT INVOLVE ALL THE PARTIES CONCERNED -
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AND WE DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING TO COME OUT OF THESE TALKS IN
SALISBURY, AND WE DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON TODAY THERE - BUT
WE DON'T THINK THAT ANY AGREEMENT THAT DOES NOT INVOLVE ALL THE
PARTIES CONCERNED IN THIS BUSINESS IS LIKELY TO BE ACCEPTED
INTERNATIONALLY, IS LIKELY TO BE LASTING OR WOULD BRING ABOUT
AN END TO THE WAR. I WOULD REMIND YOU OF SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

415; OF MY INITIAL SETTING OFF ON THESE TRIPS HAD THE PRINCIPLE AIM A
T
THE START TO TRY AND SEE IF THERE WAS NOT A POSSIBILITY OF A
CEASE-FIRE
TO BRING THE WAR TO AN END. (SIC).

Q. SIR, IS IT NOT STRANGE ... THAT YOU ARE TALKING
WITH NEARLY EVERYBODY AROUND ABOUT RHODESIA, BUT THE ONLY PEOPLE
THAT YOU ARE NOT GOING TO VISIT NOW ARE THE PEOPLE OF
ZIMBABWE

L.C.

WELL, I WENT TO SALISBURY. I WENT TO SALISBURY ABOUT
TWO MONTHS AGO WHEN I SPEND THREE OR FOUR DAYS THERE AND TALKED
TO MR SMITH, TO HIS MINISTERS, AND TO HIS OFFICIALS AND TO THE
NATIONALIST LEADERS HAVE BEEN THROUGH LONDON SINCE THEN,
I'VE SEEN THEM SO I DON'T THINK IT'S STRANGE AT ALL.

Q. IF MR SMITH'S TALKS WITH THE LEADERS ARE SUCCESSFUL AND
THEY ACHIEVE ONE MAN ONE VOTE, IS'TT THAT EFFECTIVELY THE
END OF THE GAME BECAUSE ISN'T THAT WHAT THE WHOLE THING IS ABOUT -
ONE MAN ONE VOTE IN RHODESIA ?

L.C.

WELL THAT IS A VERY HYPOTHETICAL POLITICAL QUESTION
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WHICH IS A BIT BEYOND MY BRIEF. I MEAN I AM SUPPOSED TO BE
CONCERNED WITH THE TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS. AS I HAD ALREADY
SAID, ALTHOUGH THIS IS A BIT BEYOND MY BRIEF,
WE DON'T BELIEVE THAT A SETTLEMENT WHICH DIDN'T INVOLVE ALL
THE PARTIES CONCERNED IS LIKELY TO BE ACCEPTED INTERNATIONALLY,
AND THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT ASPECT OF IT -- BRING SANCTIONS TO
AND END AND THE SETTLEMENT WOULD LAST (SIC) AND IT WOULD BRING THE
WAR TO AN END AND ALL THESE ARE VERY IMPORTANT.

Q. LORD CARVER, YOU SAID THAT YOU PUT MR BOTHA IN THE
PICTURE ON THE LATEST SITUATION AS WE SEE IT, HOW DO YOU SEE IT?

L.C.

WE SEE THAT THE ANGLO/AMERICAN PROPOSALS HAVE RECEIVED
A VERY WIDE MEASURE OF AGREEMENT AMONG ALL THE PARTIES
CONCERNED. WE HAVE CLEARED UP BOTH INDIVIDUALLY WITH MANY OF
THE PARTIES CONCERNED A NUMBER OF POINTS THAT THEY RAISED
WHICH AROSE OUT OF MY LAST TOUR ROUND. WE HAVE CLARIFIED
THOSE. WE HAVE DEVELOPED THE IDEAS ABOUT BOTH THE
CONSTITUTION AND THE TRANSITIONAL ARRANGMENTS IN GREATER
DETAIL AND WE WISH TO GO AHEAD WITH FURTHER DISCUSSIONS

WITH THOSE CONCERNED IN THE HOPE THAT THEY CAN BE IMPLEMENTED
IN 1978.

Q. LORD CARVER, ISN'T BRITAIN OVER-EMPHASISING THE
IMPORTANCE OF THE PATRIOTIC FRONT AT THIS TIME AND WOULDN'T IT
PERHAPS BE MORE ADVISABLE TO GIVE THESE TALKS IN SALISBURY
A CHANCE BEFORE TALKING TO THEM AGAIN ?

L.C. WELL, THERE IS A LOT OF BUSINESS WITH THE PATRIOTIC
FRONT WHICH HAS NOT BEEN CLEARED UP, I HAD A DISCUSSION

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WITH THEM IN DAR ES SALAAM WAY BACK AT THE END OF OCTUBER
AND WE HAD AGREED AGAIN TO MEET SHORTLY THEREAFTER TO GO INTO
THE TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS. WELL, WE HAVE NOT HAD THOSE
DISCUSSIONS WHICH IS NOT OUR FAULT AND IT'S VERY IMPORTANT
THAT WE SHOULD GET IT OVER WITH SOON.

Q. DO YOU HAVE ANY PARTICULAR REASON FOR UNDERSTANDING WHY
MR NKOMO HAS BEEN VISITING CUBA, THE SOVIET UNION AND ALSO
EAST GERMANY ?

L.C.

THAT'S HIS BUSINESS, NOT MINE.

Q. WHAT DO YOU THINK THE PROSPECTS OF GETTING THE PATRIOTIC
FRONT INVOLVED OUTWARDLY WITH WHENEVER INTERNAL SETTLEMENT
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COMES UP

L.C.

WELL I THINK THAT IT WAS VERY ENCOURAGING AS
IN MAPUTO THAT A FRONT LINE STATE WITH WHICH
THEY ARE EXTREMELY CLOSELY INVOLVED IS VERY MUCH IN FAVOUR OF
THEIR BECOMING INVOLVED. SORRY, BECOMING INVOLVED IN THE
TALKS IN SALISBURY YOU SAID , DID YOU ?

Q. WELL, WHATEVER COMES OUT OF SALISBURY.

L.C.

WELL, I THINK I'VE REALLY ANSWERED THAT QUESTION
THAT WE THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT ALL THE PARTIES
CONCERNED (INTERRUPTION), WHO CAN SAY ? YOU WILL BE RHODESIA
WATCHERS FOR A VERY LONG TIME. ANYBODY WHO SAYS SOMETHING IS
LIKELY ONE DAY COULD BE PROVED WRONG THE NEXT DAY.

Q. COMPARED TO YOUR LAST TRIP THROUGH HERE ARE YOU
MORE OR LESS ABOUT THE SAME DEGREE OF OPTIMISM

L.C.

I THINK HE'S MADE A STATEMENT. HE'S BEEN IN LONDON -
HAS HE NOT MADE A STATEMENT IN LONDON ? I HAVEN'T SEEN IT
BECAUSE I HAVEN'T SEEN THE PAPERS BUT I THINK THAT HIS
DIFFERENCES OF OPINION WITH HIS OPINION WITH HIS FELLOW
FRONT LINE PRESIDENTS OVER THE QUESTION OF ELECTIONS HAVE
BEEN IRONED OUT.

Q(INAUDIBLE) ..

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IN CYPRUS AND KENYA AND YOU HOPE TO STABILISE THE SITUATIONS
THERE. DO YOU DRAW ANY PARALLELS WITH THE RHODESIAN SITUATION ?

L.C. NOT MUCH NO. IN CYPRUS I WAS A PEACE KEEPER. THE
UNITED NATIONS PEACE KEEPER MOST OF THE TIME.

Q. LORD CARVER, DID YOU GET THE IMPRESSION THAT THE
PATRIOTIC FRONT IS A UNITED FRONT ?

L.C.

EVERYBODY KNOWS IT'S NOT TOTALLY ALL THE TIME UNITED ON
EVERY SUBJECT. NO, THEY HAVE THEIR DIFFERENCES OF OPINION
INSIDE THEM AS IN ANY FORM OF COALITION, AS AN POLITICAL
PARTY HAS.

Q. SO DID YOU DEAL WITH THEM IN ONE OR WITH ---

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L.C.

I HAVE ONLY DEALT WITH THEM TOGETHER
AND THEY IN FACT WILL ONLY DEAL WITH ME TOGETHER.

Q. (NOT RECORDED)

L.C.

THAT'S MAKING A NUMBER OF ASSUMPTIONS ABOUT THE
RESULT OF THE TALKS IN SALISUBURY, WHICH I DON'T KNOW THAT
I ACCEPT. I DON'T THINK THEY HAVE ACTUALLY SAID WHAT YOU SAID
THEY HAVE SAID AND IT'S A VERY HYPOTHETICAL QUESTION WHICH I
DON'T HINK I CAN REALLY ANSWER.

Q. DID YOU MAKE ANY ATTEMPT TO SEE MR MUGABE ?
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L.C.

I TOLD MR MUGABE THAT I WAS THERE AND WOULD BE HAPPY
TO SEE HIM IF HE WANTED TO SEE ME BUT HE SAID THAT HE DID NOT
WANT TO SEE ME IF MR NKOMO WAS NOT THERE TOO. AND HE WASN'T
THERE.

Q. YOU SAID THEE WERE DIFFERENCES AMONG THE RANKS OF THE
PATRIOTIC FRONT. DOES THAT MEAN YOU DON'T ENTIRELY TRUST THEM ?

L.C.

NO, IT DOESN'T MEAN THAT I DON'T TRUST THEM AT ALL.
THERE ARE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ALL SORTS OF PEOPLE THAT ONE
DEALS WITH. IT DOESN'T MEAN YOU DON'T TRUST THEM.

Q. LORD CARVER, ARE YOU AGAINST AN INTERNAL SETTLEMENT
IN RHODESIA?

L.C.

I MYSELF HAVE TO MAKE THIS CLEAR, AS FAR AS MY OWN POSITION IS
CONCERNED, I AM THE RESIDENT COMMISSIONER DESIGNATE AND I AM
CONCERNED WITH THE TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS WHICH WOULD COME
INTO FORCE ONLY IF THE ANGLO AMERICAN PROPOSALS ARE ACCEPTED.
I HAVE ALREADY EXPLAINED, AS I SEE IT, THE ATTITUDE
OF THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT TOWARDS A SETTLEMENT.

Q. CAN YOU MENTION SOMETHING CONSTRUCTIVE AND TACTICAL ON
THIS TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENT. WHAT DO YOU

L.C.

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WELL WHAT WE ARE WORKING UP AT THE MOMENT IS TO TRY AND

FIND THE MEASURE OF AGREEMENT WHICH WOULD MAKE IT POSSIBLE TO
INTRODUCE THE TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS, THE WHOLE OBJECT OF
WHICH IS TO ENSURE THAT THERE IS A FREE AND FAIR ELECTION
BY WHICH THE PEOPLE OF RHODESIA THEMSELVES CHOOSE THEIR OWN
FUTURE GOVERNMENT AND LEADERS. THAT'S THE WHOLE OBJECT OF
HAVING A TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENT.

Q. DOES THIS MEAN, SIR, THAT YOU NOW FEEL IT CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED
THROUGH THE CURRENT TALKS THAT ARE GOING ON IN SALISBURY ?
AND HOW DO YOU ADJUST YOURSELF

L.C.

IT'S REALLY NOT MY BUSINESS. THIS IS THE BUSINESS OF THE
FOREIGN SECRETARY. IT'S REALLY NOT MY BUSINESS.

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Q. WHAT EXTENT ... DO YOU SEE THE PRESENT
INTERNAL SETTLEMENT TALKS AS AN OBSTACLE TO THE ANGLO RHODESIAN
PROPOSALS OR TO WHAT EXTENT DO YOU THINK THAT THEY COULD
BE WORKED IN TO THE ANGLO AMERICAN PROPOSALS.

L.C.

I THINK THAT THE PRINCIPLE, IF YOU LIKE TO CALL IT-
OBSTACLE - IS THAT IF THEY ARE GIVEN SO MUCH PUBLICITY AND
ATTENTION THEY DISTRACT PEOPLE'S ATTENTION AWAY FROM THE
FACT THAT THE ANGLO AMERICAN PROPOSALS HAVE BEEN PUT FORWARD,
ARE ON THE TABLE AND ARE BEING PROCEEDED WITH.

Q. LORD CARVER, DO YOU THINK THAT THE PATRIOTIC FRONT
REALLY WANT FREE ELECTIONS.

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L.C.

THEY HAVE SAID SO TO ME PERSONALLY. I PUT THIS QUESTION
TO NKOME AND MUGABE IN DARE ES SALAAM, AND YES, THEY SAID THEY WERE.

Q. LORD CARVER, IS HER MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT COMMITTED TO
FULL SUPPORT FOR A SETTLEMENT INVOLVING THE PATRIOTIC FRONT ?

L.C.

THEY ARE COMMITTED TO THE ANGOLA/AMERICAN PROPOSALS
AND THE BASIC PREMISE OF THE ANGLO/AMERICAN PROPOSALS IS
THAT THEY ARE AN AGREED NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT INVOLVING ALL
THE PARTIES CONCERNED. I THINK LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THAT'S
ENOUGH.

Q. JUST ONE FINAL QUESTION, LORD CARVER, WHEN ARE YOU
RETURNING TO LONDON.

L.C.

I AM RETURNING TO LONDON THIS EVENING.
I'M JUST GOING TO GABORONE THIS AFTERNOON AND I'M CATCHING
THE AIRCRAFT BACK THIS EVENING.

A POINT IS BEING MADE TO ME THAT I HAVEN'T UP TO DATE
MENTIONED THAT OF COURSE WHEN I WENT TO MOZAMBIQUE I WAS
ACCOMPANIED BY GENERAL PREM CHAND OF THE UNITED NATIONS, AND WE
DID DISCUSS WITH THEM GOING UP INTO MOZAMBIQUE THE WHOLE QUESTION OF
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UNITED NATIONS PRESENCE IN A TRANSITIONAL REGIME. HE OF
COURSE IS NOT A MEMBER OF MY DELEGATION; HE IS TRAVELLING AND
ACTING UNDER SECURITY RESOLUTION 415.

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Q. IS THERE ANY PARTICULAR REASON GENERAL PREM CHAND DIDN'T
COME WITH YOU TO SOUTH AFRICA ?

L.C.

HE IS HERE ACTUALLY.

Q. WAS HE AT YOUR MEETING THIS MORNING ?

L.C.

NO, HE WASN'T. RIGHT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH INDEED.
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